GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6139
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KUDREMUKH IRON ORE COMPANY LIMITED
SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited (KIOCL) propose to set up some pig iron plant in Karnataka;

(b) if so, the sources from which raw material is going to be arranged by KIOCL;

(c) the total amount of Investment involved therein;

(d) whether allocation for Karnataka for KIOCL has been drastically reduced in the budget;

(e) if so, the reasons therefore;

(f) whether the State Government has been urging not to reduce these allocations; and

(g) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL(SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

(a) Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited (KIOCL), in joint venture with M/s. MECON & MSTC, has floated a separate compar called M/s. Kudremukh Iron and Steel Company Limited (KISCO) for setting up of a Pig Iron and Ductile Iron Spun Pipe Plant a Mangalore in the State of Karnataka.

(b) At present, the raw material for the Pig Iron plant is procured from M/s. NMDC, Donimalai, M/s. Mineral Enterprises (Pvt.) Limitec and M/s. Tungabhadra Minerals Limited.

(c) The total cost of setting up of the Pig iron component of the project is Rs. 305.79 crores.

(d)to(g): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of Lok Sabha.